

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 70

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the ministers and congregation of Second Presbyterian Church in downtown Chattanooga on the celebration of their church's 150th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the churches of our nation have been an integral part of our history as a people and have had an unparalleled impact in forming and maintaining a stable and just society; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we recognize those venerable religious institutions and their congregations that, through their unflagging capacity for love, dedication of spirit, and faith in God, strive to enrich the lives of people in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such dynamic and historic community of faith is Second Presbyterian Church in downtown Chattanooga, which was founded on September 3, 1871, and whose members are celebrating the church's 150th anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS, the Sesquicentennial celebration is being led by the 150th Anniversary Committee, which is composed of Sandy Franklin, Scott Miller, Suzanne Rushworth, Norma Witherspoon, and Reverend Cathy Meyer; and

WHEREAS, Second Presbyterian Church has stood on the rock-solid foundation of Christian belief, service, and love for 150 years, serving as a bastion of faith and outreach to the people of its community; and

WHEREAS, Second Presbyterian Church is truly one of the great religious institutions and catalysts for positive spiritual change in our State and nation, and the members of this exceptional congregation should be appropriately honored for their exemplary service to their fellow Christians and to the good people of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Second Presbyterian Church in downtown Chattanooga on the occasion of its 150th anniversary and extend to this exceptional congregation our best wishes for much continued success in performing God's work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.